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Michaels makes his move



By LES SHORROCK

Harry Michaels has thrown down the gauntlet in his bid to buy Sydney Olympic. He's given the Olympic committee until late this week to agree to his demands or he'll call a meeting of members to get their backing.

Michaels, head of HM Productions, the company which produced a series for SBS TV, last week sent a letter to Olympic which read, in part:

"I have considered the comments made by your committee two weeks ago and I stand

by the proposition that was contained in my company's initial letter to you which outlined my plans to buy the club."

"I ask that your committee considers that proposition within the next seven days, failing which I will cause the reconstitution of members of Sydney Olympic with a view to putting my proposition directly to them."

"I want to own 51 per cent of the club."

"It had to happen in soccer, of course; the only surprise is that it took so long. With the success of the Sydney Swans and all the hoopla that has surrounded their transfer to the Harbour City, it was inevitable that some enterprising entrepreneur/soccer fan would want to

emulate Dr Geoffrey Edelsten and buy his own soccer club."

Michaels is a long-time fervent supporter of Sydney Olympic, and sees himself as the man who can best guide it out of its financial problems and set it on the road to riches.

"Sydney Olympic should be the No 1 Greek club in Australia," says Michaels, "but to do that it must have the right people behind it."

"However, the present Olympic management doesn't see it in those terms."

"Rather than one person buying the club outright, it would be more feasible for the club to float a public company," says Olympic president Tom Dounians. "That way, members and supporters could buy shares, and I, myself,

would buy shares at the drop of a hat, because I believe that Sydney Olympic has more potential than any other club in Australia."

Talking about Michaels' bid to buy Olympic "lock, stock and barrel", Dounians says: "Olympic only continues to exist because of the generosity and goodwill of Sydney's Greek community which has put in perhaps \$6 million over the past 25 years as the club went through bankruptcy, relegation, riots and elation. That community would not be willing to hand over its club to a private owner."

"Also, Olympic is a company limited by guarantee, if it was dissolved or wound up, its proceeds would have to be handed over to a like institu-

tion under our articles of incorporation."

Dounians added that he would welcome Michaels' involvement as a shareholder, and that the sale of shares would generate funds which could be used for professional promotion of the club and the Olympic scenario.

But Michaels poo-poohs the

"The club would find it difficult to obtain public listing," he says. "That's because its financial situation and recent record of lack of profitability wouldn't adequately justify a 2.5 million share issue."

"Michaels' proposal is completely unrealistic to continue to lead members to believe that there is a financially rewarding alternative when transparently is not available."

Michaels then went on to attack Dounians' comments about the support Olympic has received in the past from the Greek community.

"All I can say is that's the case when what has been wrong with the club administration, because the club isn't better off?"

"Somebody, somewhere must stop pushing their own barrow and start working for the good of the club."

"In the past I've been the major sponsor of the club without any personal gain ... After all, I don't sell olives or pasta or anything of that sort. I've done it because I still feel that soccer can be the number one sport in this country, but it needs the right people behind it."

"There are plenty of wealthy Greek businessmen out there, but these days you can't expect successful business men to give up their time for nothing."

"Whatever happens, I'll still be there next year, backing Sydney Olympic heart and soul in some capacity."

Croatia's still on course

Melbourne Croatia maintained its fight to stay in the National League by downing Brisbane City last weekend.

The result was made even more important as Croatia's closest rival, Newcastle Rosebud United, beat Canterbury.

Big-spending Adelaide United has missed the cut, a major blow to the club's members and supporters.

The 14 teams for next year's NSL will be chosen according to a formula which awards points for crowd support and standings in this and past seasons. Points total so far (crowd figures used are not official):

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89.1 Syd Hakoah
82.9 B. Juventus
82.7 Heidelberg
73.9 Marconi
71.4 JUST
71.2 Olympic
66.3 SM-Hellas
63.2 Ad. Juve
59.2 St George
58.0 Preston M
54.6 APIA
53.7 Georg Cro
49.9 Melb Croat
42.4 Newcastle
42.3 Bris. Lions
40.6 Ad Hellas
37.8 Blacktown
37.1 Wollongong
26.8 Canberra
24.6 Inter Mon
24.0 Bris City
20.4 Green Gully
19.1 Canterbury

SUPERBOY!

By CRAIG MacKENZIE

He's big, he's got plenty of "dig" and he's got dazzling skills. He's one of the most exciting teenage talents ever to emerge on the National League scene and he's only 16.

George Cross' junior giant John Markovski (pictured) has been performing near super-human feats in 1986.

With just one NSL youth game under his belt he was tossed straight into the senior squad by coach John Gardiner and has emerged as one of the best players at a club with a great chance of playing in this year's Southern Division finals series.

Markovski has had a huge year. He's starred for the Victorian youth team, made his National League debut, then made his Australian youth team debut against Czechoslovakia.

Right now, Markovski is wowing them in Sydney at the national under 16 titles. That's right, the under 16 titles.

It hardly seems fair. Pity the other states.

He won't come straight out and say it, but playing at under 16 level is a breeze for this technically gifted and athletic youngster.

"Yeah, sometimes it comes easy but there are times when it's hard. My biggest problem probably is maintaining my concentration. I've got used to being tightly marked now. If I'm playing in central midfield, I just switch out wide and take my marker with me. Hopefully that leaves room for my team mates to work in."

An established NSW fullback was told earlier this season to hit Markovski hard and hit him

early. He did. Markovski didn't flinch.

"If they hit me hard I just hit them back. It doesn't bother me."

It's difficult to believe that last season he was playing in the under 16s at George Cross. It's also hard to believe that coach Vic Daigleilis didn't select Markovski in the Australian under 16 team that played in the World Championships in China last year.

Imagine unleashing Markovski on an unsuspecting world. It's a thought well worth savoring.

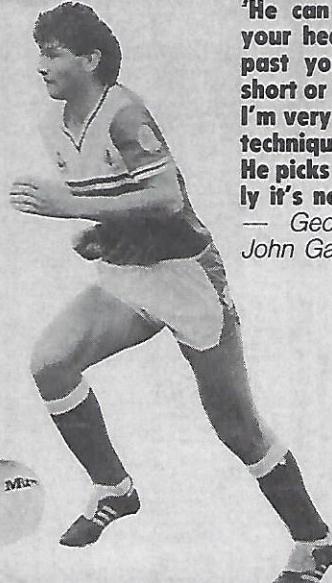
Right now, he's the most sought-after property in Australian soccer. It's no secret that he hasn't signed a contract with George Cross and he knows that if he wants to, he can command a huge signing-on fee for next season.

But will he leave George?

"Money's not important to me at this stage of my life but being well coached is. John Gardiner and Jimmy Rooney are great coaches. They're really good at showing you what to do. It's as simple as that."

If George Cross stays in the National League I might stay with the club. And I'm really confident that we can be in the 14-team NSL next year."

And that might be the key to unravelling the mystery of Markovski's whereabouts in 1987.



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Croydon slams VSF and demands \$4500

Croydon is demanding \$4500 in compensation from the VSF for the loss of its home game against the troubled Melbourne Hungaria two weeks ago and Croydon secretary Peter Benson this week mounted a scathing attack on the federation.

Melbourne Hungaria's failure to appear at tribunal hearings has forced its

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

team into limbo over the past fortnight. Its matches against Croydon at Croydon Park and Caulfield at J.T. Gray Reserve were not played. The VSF awarded 1-0 wins to Croydon and Caulfield.

Melbourne claims that it wasn't informed of the tri-

bunal hearings into matters arising from games against Morwell and Northcote earlier this season. The VSF is adamant that Melbourne was informed of the hearings and simply failed to appear.

But the wrangle has taken a new twist, one that has put the VSF and Croydon at loggerheads.

"I'm sick of the VSF. I'm sick of the way it goes about its business," said an angry

Benson.

"The media seems to think that by getting a 1-0 win and not having to play for it, Croydon has been favored by the federation. That's not the case. All our lads wanted to play against Melbourne, and by not playing that game we lost \$4500 in income."

"It's not the first time that we've fallen foul of bloody ridiculous rulings by the VSF this year. We're play-

ing a postponed league game against Fawkner at Croydon Park tonight (Wednesday) when we asked the federation to put the game off until the end of the league season."

That match was postponed due to Croydon's Nanda Cup quarter-final clash with Adelaide Hellas at Hindmarsh Stadium on Sunday, June 1.

"The VSF wanted us to play Fawkner at Ross Re-

serve at first, and we had to push hard to get this night game going, even though we'll lose money on it."

"The Australian Floodlighting Company has given us a guarantee that the \$1000 we've spent with them to give us 1500 extra kilowatts on our lights is more than adequate for a night game. But try telling that to the federation. They (the federation) made us switch the lights on the other night

so that the referee of tonight's game could decide whether or not they were suitable. That little exercise cost us \$500. We told the federation that we had a written guarantee from the company involved but, as usual, that wasn't good enough for them."

"It's another example of the inconsiderate way Croydon's been treated this year and, frankly, I've had a guff of the VSF!"

Jail for Greek fans; Robson, Souness return

The Greek parliament has approved legislation to jail rowdy soccer fans for up to two years.

Under the new law, spectators will be imprisoned and fined for cursing or fighting in the stands, interrupting play, carrying dangerous objects, exploding fireworks or "insulting the honor of others".

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Graeme Souness, who announced his retirement from international football after captaining Scotland in the World Cup finals, has changed his mind.

The player-manager of Scottish Premier Division side Glasgow Rangers last week told new Scotland boss Andy Roxburgh that he wanted to return to international football.

However, the 33-year-old midfielder will not be able to play in the European championship clash with Bulgaria this month because of his heavy commitments with Rangers.

However, Kenny Dalglish, Souness' former teammate at Liverpool, and Scotland's most capped footballer, willable to play, having declared his availability last week.

The 35-year-old Liverpool player-manager, who won his 100th cap against Romania in March, was forced to call off from the World Cup finals in Mexico because of a knee injury incurred in the English FA Cup final.

Overseas round-up
By PAUL MOON



• Graeme Souness

The Italian League's appeals board last weekend revoked the demolition of Udinese and Lazio from Serie A previously ordered as punishment in a match-fixing scandal.

However, it penalised both teams by nine points for the 1986-87 season.

The board also acquitted Lamberto Mazza, the former president of Udinese, who had been previously given a five-year disqualification after a hearing into allegations that he tried to fix some matches last season.

England and Manchester United captain Bryan Robson made his comeback last weekend three weeks ahead of schedule after a shoulder operation.

The 29-year-old midfield star hopes to lead England in its friendly against Sweden next week.

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Former Hungarian international goalkeeper, Attila Kovacs, who was originally barred for 10 years in 1984 for taking bribes, has had his sentence reduced to two years and now is free to resume his career.

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Players have been warned by Scotland's solicitor general that they could face criminal charges for on-field assaults.

The solicitor general said that if players behaved in a criminal manner, they would be held accountable under criminal law.

★★★

Barcelona has registered England's Gary Lineker and Wales' Mark Hughes as its two foreign players permitted to appear in the Spanish First Division.

The program to be seen in Australia though I cannot tell you when or when SBS did bid for it but it was snapped up by an Australian network, not known to me.

The investigative current affairs program was seen in Britain the day after the World Cup final.

What the "World in Action" team had dug up will make intriguing viewing and, by the way, points to the real possibility that Havelange will retire as FIFA head by about 1990.

At the core of the web of intrigue is Havelange and his associations with two powerful Mexicans: one Emilio Azcarraga and Guillermo Canedo.

Canedo, as many of us know, is a FIFA vice-president, was head of the Mexican arm of the World Cup Organising Committee (it was his young son who drew the lots when the draw was made for the finals) and had been president of the Mexican Federation when the Cup was held in Mexico in 1970.

But he is also number two and public front man to Azcarraga, a powerful money-laden entrepreneur who owns and heads the giant television corporation which handled worldwide television coverage of the World Cup.

But Azcarraga has other interests, including the vast STN Spanish language television network in the US, the Azteca Stadium and a string of hotels.

His newest venture is setting up an expansive Spanish language television network in Central and South America, called Univision, and this is where accusations pointed at Havelange came in.

The ageing FIFA chief, it was speculated, is a major shareholder in the Brazilian consortium negotiating to buy its way into Azcarraga's new venture.

Havelange, who runs a vast transport business in Brazil, has denied this although he did say there was no reason why a future business involvement in Azcarraga's empire should be ruled out.

Of course, on the face of it, there is no reason why Havelange should not conduct business with whoever he likes. But soccer, like politics, is a public property and any apparent conflict of interest (when it is FIFA and Havelange who have to make decisions regarding choice of World Cup venues and choice of telecasters) will always raise suspicions.



LES MURRAY

Another interesting item raised by the "World in Action" report was the suggestion that Havelange had deep involvement in a Brazilian insurance company which had put in an 18 percent bid for the World Cup insurance.

Havelange at first tried to parry the accusation and then admitted to it.

But most interesting of all was the curiosity of those inflated admission prices for World Cup matches in Mexico.

It is almost legend now how Mexico's poor cruelty were denied access to the games which would have given them scant joy and diversion from their misery. The cheapest tickets to a series of group matches (tickets to individual games were not possible) cost \$109 when the average unskilled Mexican earns about \$3.50 per day.

As we saw on television, many of the stadiums were left half empty, something which most curiously didn't seem to greatly worry the organisers. Said Guillermo Canedo who, remember, works for the prime telecaster Televisa: "Well, if people want to access to games they always have TV."

And there was another intriguing knot in the web.

The publicity and promotion of the World Cup was in the hands of TSL, a Swiss-based company controlled by the huge Adidas empire.

And Adidas was one of the major sponsors of the World Cup. In the current issue of the London-based "World Soccer" magazine, correspondent Iain Macleod speculates that Havelange's business dealings may well lead to his resignation of the FIFA presidency within four years. And it would make sense.

Given Havelange's utterings, it is not entirely unlikely that he will get commercially involved in television and Azcarraga's Latin American network.

And if Brazil gets to host the 1994 World Cup, as is being hotly tipped at the moment, how would it look if the television rights were given to the Azcarraga-Havelange network with Havelange still FIFA president?

Hence the conclusion that by the time the television rights are allocated for the 1994 World Cup, about 1990, Havelange will quit because of an apparent conflict of interest.

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vision. Scot Steve Archibald will spend the 1986-87 season with Barcelona's nursery team Atletico in the Second Division, but the future of West Germany's Bernd Schuster has yet to be determined.

A knee injury has forced West Germany international defender Bernd Forster into retirement. He is 33 caps.

The South American Confederation will launch a new tournament, known as the Super Cup, this December. It will fea-

ture the 12 previous winners of the Libertadores Cup.

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Latest moves on a very active European transfer market include:

Georgi Dimitrov: Sredets Sofia to St Etienne. Antal Nagy: Honved, Budapest to Nancy. Peter Horvath: Gyor to Espanyol to Nantes. Peter Vanderberghe: Anderlecht to Olimpique Lille; Leal Brancos: Fluminense to Brescia; Morten Olsen: Anderlecht to Co-

lonne; Eduardo Acevedo: Defensor Montevideo to Real Murcia; Fleming Poulsen: Aarhon to Real Madrid; Andoni Zubizarreta: Athletic Bilbao to Barcelona and Julio Salinas: Athletic Bilbao to Athletico Madrid.

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Centre-half Dave Watson has joined Everton from club record \$1 million (\$A4.48 million) transfer from Norwich.

Watson, capped six times for England, once was on the books of Liverpool.

Kids flock to Cosmos



• Jimmy Rooney and Tim White have been teaching youngsters the finer points of indoor soccer at the Cosmos Indoor Soccer Centre over the past week and boys from as far away as Kyneton have attended the clinics. The picture above gives you an idea of the spacious nature of the Cosmos Centre in Green's Road, Dandenong, one of the finest indoor soccer centres in Victoria.

Over 70 youngsters attended the clinics, the first two of two-weekend holiday packages that offer great giveaways and a chance to learn all about the fastest growing sport in Australia. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

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NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD UNITED 2 (Naumov 62nd, Inshan 72nd) **CANTERBURY 0** at Adamstown Oval. Crowd: 1,350.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling 8 — Cavanagh 6, Bannon 6, Owens 7, Garland 6 — Naumov 7, McQuarrie 7, Crabtree 6, Mair 6 — Head, Ingles, Cooper 6, Coyle 6, Dunn 6, Hargreaves 6, Barker 6 — Akouatas 6, Sivins 6, Radman 6, Hantzis 7 — Zaimi 8, Kalogeris 6, Kozelis 7, Fieratis 7 — Borges 7, Zrlic 7 — Coach Dom Kapetanovic.

Best six for Ametco Travel award: 6. Crabtree (N), 5. Inshan (N), 4. Zaimi (C), 3. Gosselin (M), 2. Zrlic (C), 1. Owens (N).

SYDNEY CROATIA 4 (Arnold 8th, Stojan 12th, Savo 36th) **BLACKTOWN 0** at Croatian Sports Centre. Crowd: 6,375.

SYDNEY CROATIA: Watson 7 — Rezo 8 (Dragievic 60th), M. Kocak 7, Kocakova 7 (A. Kovacic 63rd), Jennings 8 — Clinch 8, Savo 8, Arnold 8, Stojan 7, Savo 8, Thorntwaite 8 — Coach Vedran Rozic.

BLACKTOWN CITY: Hoare 6 — Knight 7, Willis 7, Denyer 8, Northam 7 — Ainsworth 7, Kay 8, Sandy 7, Swarpe 46th, 6 — Super 7, Theodoropoulos (in brand), Kalantzis 6 — Coach Manfred Schaefer.

Best six for Ametco Travel award: 6. Arnold (SC), 5. Petkovic (SC), 4. Savo (SC), 3. Kay (B), 2. Denyer (B), 1. Clinch (SC).

S. GEORGE BUDAPEST 3 (Ricoy 32, Moffit 64 and 67) **INTER MONARO 1** (Titilas 43) at St George Stadium. Crowd: 685.

BUDAPEST: Greedy 8 — Skeen 8, Ratcliffe 9, M. O'Shea 7, R. O'Shea 7 — Orszagh 7 (Moffit 61st, 9), Ricoy 8, J. O'Shea 8 — Petkovic 7, Kocak 7, Fletcher 8 — Coach Frank.

MONARO: Hoszowski 6 — Tulawa 6 (Underwood 80), Titilas 6, Ambrosio 6, Walsh 4 — Wetherspoon 6, Wilcox 7, Djordjevic 5, Giampaolo 4 — Brennan 4 (D'Addario 88), Hock 7 — Coach Steve Horgan — Captain Barry Williams.

Ametco Travel award: 6. Moffit 5, Ratcliffe 4, Fletcher 3, Ricoy 2, J. O'Shea 1, Skeen (all Budapest).

CANBERRA CITY 0 **SYDNEY HAKOAH 1** (Saad 32nd) at Bruce Stadium. Crowd: 701.

CANBERRA CITY: Saad 7 — Hock 7, Hutton 7, Carr 8, Mazzi 8 — Mann 7, Hamilton 6, Murra 6 (Junnah 57th), Palacios 7 — Bryant 7, Leimana 7 — Coach Steve Bryant.

SYDNEY HAKOAH: Hughes 7 — Robertson 6, O'Connor 6, Hooker 6, DeMarginy 8 — Watson 6, Barnes 6, (Sousness 74th), McCullough 7 — Saad 7, Kosmina 6, Lee 6 — Coach Eddie Thompson.

Best six for Ametco Travel award: 6. Franken (C), 5. Hughes (SH), 4. Dunn (C), 3. Cant (C), 2. DeMarginy (SH), 1. McCullough (SH).

APIA MARCONI 2 (Gunning 6th, Jankovics 60th) at Lambert Park. Crowd: 2,800.

APIA PEZZANO 6 — Stewart 7, Bozanic 7, Bergtona 7, Brown 6 — Bundalo 6, Hristovski 6, Lorens 7, Butler 7 —

NSL DETAILS

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Andriolitis 26th, 73rd) **ADELAIDE HELLAS 1** (Konstandopoulos 57th) at Middle Park. Crowd: 2,225.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Laumets 7 — McDowell 7 — Russell 6, Blair 7, Anezakis 6, Postecoglou 8 — Halford 7, Miranda 6, Egan 7 — Andriolitis 7, Craine 8 — Coach John.

ADELAIDE HELLAS: Sproul 7 — Honeyman 8 — Brown 6, Yankos 6 — Atsalas 6 (Price H.T. 5), Manos 7 (Horn 56th), Panagis 6, Scott 8 — Konstandopoulos 7, Ward 7, Hristodoulou 8 — Coach Edmund Kreft.

Best six for Ametco Travel award: 6. Tredinnick (M), 5. Love (M), 4. Lorens (A), 3. Wheatley (M), 2. Bozanic (A), 1. Grujic (M).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Soper 78th) **WOLLONGONG CITY 2** (Galdi 5th, Brodbeck 90th) at Pratten Park. Crowd: 2,524.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Moier 8 — Rogers 6, Coady 6, Dakos 8, Spanoudakis 5 (Zervas 73rd) — Phillips 5, Estavillo 8, Johnston 6 — Soper 7, Theodoropoulos (in brand), Kalantzis 6 — Coach Manfred Schaefer.

MAKEDONIA: Kandemedes 7 — Mclellan 7, Opasincic 7, Dobson 8, Illoki 7 — Silfaks 6 (van Egmond 60th), Roodhouse 8, Lane 8, Heys 8 — Smith 6, Cole 7 — Coach Bill Murray.

Best six for Ametco Travel award: 6. James (SGC), 5. Richardson (SGC), 4. Hayes (Mak), 3. Gilder (SGC), 2. Dobson (Mak), 1. Edwards (SGC).

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS 0 **PRESTON-MAKE-DONIA 0** at Chatswood Reserve. Crowd: 5,246.

GEORGE CROSS: Keogh 7 — Richardson 8 — James 9, Parton 7, Campbell 8 — Barr 7, Faulkner 7, MacLaren 6 (sent off 82nd), Markowski 7 (Mitten 85th) — Ghali 8, Edwards 8 — Coach Gardiner.

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ADELAIDE CITY 3 (Melta 44th, penalty 85th, Villani 8th, 90th, Ogden 85th) **BRUNSWICK JUVENILES 1** (Zinni 32nd) at Richlands. Crowd: 117.

BRUNSWICK JUVENILES: Evans 7 — Stewart 9, Palacios 8, Niven 9, Anderson 7 — Stewart 8, Ogden 8 — Drury 8, Richardson 80th, Wright 8, Morton 9 — Coach Col Bennett.

JUVENILES: Banovic 8 — Palatidis 8, Lewis 6, brown 6, Campbell 6 — Wade 6, Petersen 5, Patterson 6, Culen 7 — Ward 6, Cumming 6 — Coach Len McKendry.

Best six for Ametco Travel award: 6. Melta (ACJ), 5. Flounders (ACJ), 4. Cumming (GGA), 3. Fraser (GGAA), 2. Mullen (ACJ), 1. Vlamar (ACJ).

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Record for Lions, hiding for Juve

Man of the match:
JIM MORTON
(Bris. Lions)



Ricky Rosso

**B. Lions 4
B. Juventus 1**

Scorers: Zinni 32nd (BJ);
Morton 51st, Wright 76th;
Niven 85th (BL).

Crowd: 11,171.

Caution: BL — Niven; BJ —

Banovic, Lewis.

Referee: Richard Lorenc 8.

Until last weekend, Brisbane Lions never had

won four on the trot in 10 years of NSL football — and they waited for a

prized scalp before re-

writing the record books.

National champion Brunswick United had no answers as

Lions staged a thrilling, sec-

ond-half performance to crush

their Melbourne opponents

and notch eight points from the

last four games.

The win kept Lions' faint

hopes of NSL survival alive

but on this performance it

Morton showed flashes of his brilliance when he was among the best for Queensland in their 1-0 win over NSW in June, but he turned it on in the second half as Lions tore apart the national champion.

The former St. Johnstone and Scotland "B" player was a class above Juventus right-back Joe Palatides as Morton weaved his way in and out down the left flank. So effective was the dangerous Morton looking that Bennett's half-time talk largely centred around: "When we get the ball, give it to Jimmy."

Although Juventus scored first, it was largely against the run of play, once Lions drew level early in the second half, there was no doubting they would go on with the job.

And spearheading the attack which Juventus failed to contain was Scottish import Jim Morton.

After months of waiting, Brisbane Lions officials are finally seeing the best of the well-credentialled Morton.

Morton came to Lions only weeks before the end of the Scottish season which means he has been playing and train-



Col Bennett: "I wish we were in the top five. We'd go close to winning it."

ing constantly for more than 12 months.

But he was sharper than any other player on the field in that match and scored one goal and won a penalty which resulted in another.

After a good opening period during which Lions keeper Wayne Evans kept his side in the match, Juventus faded in the hot Queensland conditions and it was a surprise when Andrew Zinni scored in the 32nd minute. The goal came from a corner, given away by Lions after a silly misunderstanding between Evans and Alan Niven.

From the corner, Culen kicked a low ball to the near-post where Zinni turned, beat his marker and slotted a shot under Evans.

A minute later Fabio Incantilupo could have sealed the game for the visitors when he ran unmarked into the box to meet a Mike Petersen cross. But rather than head the ball home he fired a volley which skewed wide.

Six minutes into the break Morton scored with a shot that rebounded from the cross bar onto the goaling. Well-placed linesman Roger Marshall had no hesitation in signalling a goal to referee Richard Lorenc.

Although Juventus coach Len McKendry shook his head in disbelief, the absence of complaints from the Juve defence indicated the linesmen's decision had been correct.

A penalty 25 minutes later was the game. And although McKendry was again shaking his head, there were no doubts. Yaka Banovic fouled Morton as the linesman streaked into the box after a good ball from Alan Niven.

Although Morton and Niven are the regular penalty takers, a pre-match decision gave Danny Wright the pressure kick. But the 21-year-old was the calmest in the stadium as he sent Banovic to the right and slotted his shot home to the left.

A 25-metre piledriver from John Ogdern and the goal from close-in by Wright completed the fighting display from the Brisbane team, which now hopes to win its last two games and sneak its way into the elite, and for Queensland, elusive, 14.

MacLaren, Dobson in 'friendly' brawl

Laurie Schwab



**Geo. Cross 0
Makedonia 0**

Venue: Victorian Reserve.

Crowd: 5,246.

Referee: Dennis Voutsinas.

6. **Send-offs:** Dobson (Mak), MacLaren (Geo) 82nd.

Ian Dobson of Macedonia and Don MacLaren of George Cross were the best of friends after being sent off in the 82nd minute, agreeing that their brawl had been a "scoreless draw," just like the match.

But Dobson was wondering why he had to accompany MacLaren off the field.

After all, it was MacLaren who turned and pounced on Dobson, first flailing after Dobson had felled him from behind with a foul tackle. The proper decision, one feels, would have been for MacLaren to be sent off and Dobson to be shown the yellow card, but then with the profusion of players milling around, trying to break up the fight, referee Dennis Voutsinas perhaps found it difficult to count exactly how many punches — if any — were scoring blows on either side.

The SBS footage however,

may well be considered as a possible contribution to World Championship Wrestling (do they call it that?)

Tyrone James was magnificent in George Cross's defence, making every clearance look like an effort due to his weight.

But MacLaren rated Andy Edwards George Cross's best player. Edwards, the former Wrexham striker who has taken until now to play his first full match because he has been hampered by a leg injury, could have scored twice in the first 10 minutes.

Subsequently, he continued to lay the ball off to advantage on the ground and in the air.

He looks like a clone of Carl Gilder who played his usual reliable game up front, but he's faster than Gilder.

Some have described him as another Alan Evans — a compliment indeed, as Evans, a one-time clever striker, had glorious success with South Melbourne Hellas.

There was a long period during which Macedonia held sway in midfield, due to the sterling creative play of Graham Heys and Sean Lane and the defensive contribution of Ian Roodhouse. But the long and the short of it was that the two defences were simply too efficient to make it a forward's game.

For Dobson, Opasins and Co. there was no looking back after those precarious first 10 minutes. Having survived two shots from Evans and one from John Markovski, the Macedonia defenders were entitled to feel like the proverbial cat with many lives in reserve.

John Campbel, who played an excellent match defensively, then made the wrong choice when he elected to shoot instead of passing to unmarked Markovski on the left.

A sidelight to the match was the clash of the super-kids — 16-year-old Markovski and 17-year-old George Sifakis who stood off for suspended Ron Campbell.

Their first confrontation came in the 10th minute, with Markovski getting the better of Sifakis in a surge down the left flank. Again they locked horns in the 28th minute but this time Markovski had Campbell's help in dispossessing Sifakis in the corner.

Steve Smith, who has been so dangerous since his comeback after injury, got his one and only scoring chance the 34th minute, but his downward header from across by Gary Keogh was well saved by Sean Smith.

Keogh tried one himself, and it bounced awkwardly in front of Smith before going just wide.

With 20 minutes left, Macedonia sweeper Con Opasins stormed forward and his cross from the left bounced off the far post, into the six-yard box.

Smith reacted appropriately, but in doing so, he slipped on the wet surface and stumbled, before he could reach the ball and it went out for a corner.

Campbel figured in two match-saving plays in the final few minutes. First he held off Smith in the six-yard box, then he headed a Lane cross away from Smith and van Eegmond.

GUS MACLEOD ASSAULTED!

Ad. Juventus 3

Green Gully 1

Scorers: Meite 44th, penalty;

85th, Villani 83rd (AJ);

Ward 35th (GG).

Venue: Olympic Sports Field.

Crowd: 1,671.

Referee: Jim Rossie 7.

SA proved an inhospitable place for Green Gully coach Gus MacLeod last Sunday.

The approachable MacLeod removed his coat to bask in the Adelaide sunshine on this last day of winter, but had hardly settled into his plastic chair when referee Jim Rossie warned him about making derogatory remarks about the match officials.

MacLeod accepted the warning but could not contain his remarks and by the 38th minute was told to move off the arena.

The coach complied, but as he made his way through the grandstand enclosure was attacked from behind by a supporter.

MacLeod confirmed later that he had been kicked, but said he would not lay charges against his assailant.

When he regained his touchline vantage point Green Gully was a goal up through Danny Ward and threatening to severely embarrass favored Juventus.

Gully's relaxed style contrasted sharply with Juventus's panicky approach as the home side obviously found the pres-

sure of expectations hard to bear.

A penalty by Sergio Melita brought the score level after Lee Carter handled a corner kick from Charley Villani.

Juventus coach Zoran Matic introduced Steve Maxwell for Adrian Santrac after the interval and moved Joe Muller back into the midfield.

Maxwell had an immediate influence on proceedings as he set up a chance for Villani and then brought a fine save from veteran Gully goalkeeper Lou Denys.

But just when it seemed that Tommy Cumming, Scott Fife, Stuart Canfield and Danny Ward had done enough to earn a shock draw, Juventus struck with two goals in three minutes.

And it was young midfielder Aurelio Vidmar who created both goals with telling passes.

Somehow it appeared that this Vidmar was the ying of gaining retribution for some of the heavy treatment he received earlier from unsympathetic opponents.

With just seven minutes left Vidmar found Villani who scored the ball high into the Gully net and two minutes later Vidmar switched play to the right where Melita slotted an an-

Man of the match:
SERGIO MELTA

(Ad. Juventus)

gled driver past the despairing Denys.

McLeod said he was pleased with his team's performance for the first 80 minutes.

"It was just a lapse of concentration for the last 10 minutes which cost us the game — up until then we had been doing very well," he said.

"The effort is there from the boys but we are just lacking a clinical finisher."

Matic said the slippery conditions and Green Gully's aggressive tackling evened up the match.

"You could not play against this team without physical contact — they wanted to play Australian rules with a round ball," he said.

"We can play better but we need to meet them in dry conditions. In the wet they make up an extra two metres with their sliding."

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Alex Vesic



Man of the match:
R. STEFANOVSKI

(Wollongong)

out from the South Coast.

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Wollongong took the lead after only five minutes following a break by Randell Easthope. He was brought down by Emanuele Spanoudakis and following a free kick by Rade Stevanović from the right hand side the Olympic custodian sent Robert Giraldi into the air leaving Theodorakopoulos to brush past then slump to the ground, falling awkwardly.

As Young was preparing to send his kick towards centre field he was asked by the fallen Olympic player for assistance. Play was stopped and the unfortunate player was carried off on a stretcher.

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SUPER-SUB MOFFITT

St George 3
Inter-Monaro 1

Scorers: Ricoy 32nd, Moffitt 64th, 67th (St. G.); Titles 43rd (IM).
Venue: St. George
Stadium:未知
Crowd: 685
Captains: Walsh, Wother-spoon (IM)
Referee: Owens 6.

Two more points and St. George Budapest can be sure of a spot in the 1988 NSL play offs.

That is the opinion of coach Frank Arok, who also ventured his expectation that the necessary points will come from the away match in the last round against Newcastle.

One suspects, however, that Sydney Hakoah — this weekend's opponent on Budapest's home turf — would be foolish to ignore the threat posed by the Saints.

Although far from perfect in its execution, the Saints' threat to all comers was evident quite clearly against the rough and tumble style of Inter Monaro.

The clincher came in a period of six minutes in the second half, after Craig Moffitt came on as a substitute for Miklos Orszagh. At that point it was one goal each, in spite of the home team's considerable and very obvious supremacy in all departments. Within three



Peter Scott

minutes of his appearance Moffitt was on the spot to score a vital goal.

Following a corner kick from Graeme Fletcher a huge scramble, involving at least eight players ensued a couple of metres out from the Monaro goalmouth, with all and sundry kicking away at anything that moved.

Moffitt had the good fortune to connect with the ball instead of someone's shin and, hey presto, it was 2-1 to St George.

The youngster really got the smell of blood in his nostrils

was the uncompromising spilling tactics of the Monaro defence putting the hometown boys in their game in the vital moments.

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after the auspicious beginning and just three minutes later pounced on a chance to plant the ball wide of Hoszowski's reach.

Although his appearance on the day was for only one third of the proceedings, for my money Moffitt was definitely the man of the match. He ensured a victory for Budapest which was always on the cards, but took a long time coming.

At times the match took on the appearance of a practice game with one-way traffic towards Monaro's goal the order of the day. If it wasn't the crossbar saving the day, then it

was the uncompromising spilling tactics of the Monaro defence putting the hometown boys in their game in the vital moments.

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the credit to fortune. For sustained periods during the match Budapest played attractive, skilful and attacking soccer against an opponent painfully deficient in the skills required of top notch soccer.

Indeed, it was sad to observe players such as Tony Brennan and Baz Giampaolo — not long ago such bright stars on the Australian soccer scene — performing several classes below their former level of ability.

Inter Monaro, doomed to a quick drop back into state league after just one season of NSW soccer, distinguished themselves by their willingness to keep trying until they drop, often taking their enthusiasm to excess. They are better suited at their present stage of development to a lower level of football.

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grass, revealed that the man-
agement of the major
game day at the oval
had decided to extend its cul-
matic support for the club for
at least one more year.

"We will again receive \$5000 for each draw result, and they help us in many other valuable ways, too," Pon-

grass, one of the two initiators of the National League, together with Hakan Huseyin, Frank Lovell, told "Soccer Action" last Sunday.

The absolute life and death importance of the Lotto deal to the club was further underlined by St. George BSC treasurer Zoltan Gyenes, who said that without the generosity of Lotto and other small sponsors, the famous Hunter & Blighs Club probably would find it impossible to continue in National League soccer. — PETER SCOTT

**Man of
the match:
PAUL CRABTREE
(Newcastle)**

Newcastle R. 2

Crabtree 0
Scorers: Naumov 62nd,
Ingham 72nd.
Venue: Bradman Oval.
Crowd: 1,350.
Captains: Radman, Hantzis
(C); McQuarrie (M).
Referee: Gordon Nicholson
7.

A strong performance in the second half by man-of-the-match Paul Crabtree paved the way for Newcastle's victory.

Crabtree continually changed defence into attack with some well directed

passes, and when Canterbury was trying to get back into the game late in the second half he broke up some promising moves with timely interceptions.

Canterbury, a much better team than its lowly position in the competition would indicate, lacked the goods in its first half battle. On several occasions Clint Gosling kept Newcastle in the game with some great saves.

Newcastle finally made the all important break when Ralph Maier made a dash down the right, cut inside before setting up Bobby Naumov who beat Burkin with a well-directed right foot shot.

That goal took a lot of the sting out of Canterbury and Newcastle took advantage of

the situation to put the issue beyond doubt.

Ingham, who was bringing the crowd to its feet every time he got the ball, moved into the centre to collect a Naumov cross from the right. Ingham controlled the ball before hitting an unstoppable right foot shot on the turn for a great goal.

Canterbury never gave up the chase and flanker Burkin Zaimi looked most dangerous on several occasions combining well with fellow countrymen Petar Zrlic, but the Newcastle defence, in which Neil Owens was outstanding, held out till the end for a well-deserved victory and another two points that will take Newcastle a step closer towards a finals spot.

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**Man of
the match:
ALAN REIS
(Bris. City)**

Melb Croatia 2
Bris. City 1

Scorers: Abrahams 1st,
8th (MC); McIntosh 23rd
own goal (BC).
Ground: Olympic Park No. 1

Crowd: 1,294.

Referee: Jim Fokianos 7.

Croatia, after a promising start when it scored in the first minute of play, eventually was lucky to grab the points with the winning goal being scored in the closing two minutes of the match.

A good move on the right involving Mark Taliac and Zeljko Gagula resulted in Laurie Abrahams heading home at the far post to give Croatia an early lead, and for the first 20 minutes it seemed a good Croatia win was on the cards.

Brisbane City was shocked by the goal, and took a little time to settle down but then it was Croatia's turn to show signs of panic.

Croatia's defence, with the exception of young Mark Taliac, looked very jittery.

Even the usually reliable George Hannah had problems with his positioning, and Phil Redmond was unable to hold Dean Milosevic.

Alan Rel's playing mostly on the right side of the midfield also gave Redmond the run-around whilst Dave McIntosh contributed by scoring an own goal in the 23rd minute as Croatia's dream start turned into a nightmare.

Apart from a shaky defence, Croatia also had problems in midfield.

Vic Cristaldo showed some good touches and Josip Biskic did produce the occasional bit of magic but Jimmy Campbell was insightful for most of the match. Altogether this midfield was not in in the same class as Brisbane City's on the day.

With a bit of luck and better

Saad end to Canberra's dream

**Man of
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(Canberra City)**

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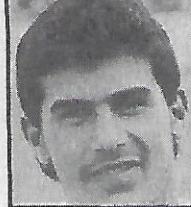
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Scorer: Saad 32nd.
Venue: Bruce Stadium.
Crowd: 701.
Captains: Mazis (C); Kosmina (SH).
Referee: Rob Davies 7.

Canberra City, plagued by last-minute injuries, saw its dream of knocking off the Northern Division's three top teams in consecutive matches end — thanks to a 32nd minute goal by Sydney Hakoah 18-years-old front-runner Abbas Saad.

Saad's goal was a gem — one of the few highlights of a game



Peter Windsor



young goalkeeper, Tony Franken.

Within minutes Franken's acrobatic ability had robbed Sydney City's John Kosmina of what looked to be a certain goal when Kosmina lunged himself left to hold a fine Kominik header.

Later — well into the second half — it was once more Franken who saved the day when he went backwards to pluck a fine drive from full-back John Paul DeMarigny from just under the crossbar.

But Canberra, too, had its moments — and young full back Jason Dunn and Peter Mazis, the latter young enough to still play in the youth leagues, had fine games.

And both acquitted themselves well — particularly the diminutive Lemezina, playing his first full game.

Their presence was vital as both Terry Byrne and Ian Gibson suffered injuries in Canberra's training session on Friday night.

But take nothing away from Sydney City — they were easily the more dangerous and creative once in sight of goal.

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It moved the ball about the open game — one which in the last 20 minutes Canberra dominated.

Young Mazis had made a brilliant save left-footed and with a superb cross for young Lemezina, whose superb header underhanded hit the crossbar.

Sydney City, from goalkeeper Hughes' long clearance, went straight upfield and scored.

It forced its way into Canberra's penalty area and when Tommy McCullough's short square ball ran for Saad the youngster hammered it home — although Franken did get a touch.

Five minutes later maestro Augusto Palacios did his usual dribbling act to square the ball for young Lemezina whose shot carried pace — but Hughes, also aged 18, was well positioned and took the shot cleanly.



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Croatia blitzes Blacktown



Barry Davis

Syd. Croatia 4 Blacktown 0

Venue: Croatian Sports Centre.

Crowd: 6375.

Referee: Roger Doosau.

Scorers: Arnold 5th & 53rd, Jurin 2nd, Savor 3rd.

Jurin 2nd.

Sydney hooked a worthy

Northern Division champion as it coasted to this win over neighbour Blacktown.

It now seems certain that

Croatia will top the table following the results of last weekend and, judging by this display, it will take one heck of a team to beat it in the playoffs.

Without injured player-coach Vedran Ristic and the suspended Zarko Odzakov, it produced a great display of attacking football which was a pleasure to watch.

From the very outset Croatia seemed more determined to win and we were to see the results of that determination early in the match.

It opened its account in the eighth minute when Zeljko Jurin took a corner on the right but it was a poor one, looking certain to fall into the waiting arms of Blacktown's keeper Barry Hoare. For some unaccountable reason though, he dropped the ball and it fell to the feet of Graham Arnold who made no mistake from 10 metres.

Four minutes later, Croatia increased its advantage when Jurin chased an excellent through ball from Wally Savor. The winger latched onto the ball and played it between the legs of the advancing Hoare, into an empty net.

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MARCONI

Scheinflug's men on the march towards the finals

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Les Scheinflug plans to use the double chance as the springboard from which to launch Marconi's championship bid in the finals. He's confident that his men can do the job but ask him about his future at Marconi and his mood changes to one of uncertainty.

"I'm going to have to sit down at the end of the season and think things over carefully," says the Marconi and Australian youth team boss.

If Scheinflug was offered the national youth job on a full time basis, he'd probably jump at the chance. He makes little secret of the satisfaction he gets from developing young players.

"I'm super keen to work with kids and I like to think that I have a knack for spotting good young players. I've always claimed that our youngsters are as good as any in the world and I was very pleased with our performances against the Czechoslovakian youths recently."

Australia won the first two matches of that three-match series but lost the last game 0-4 in Newcastle.

"In some ways, I think that we were beaten in that last match. The Czechs used three senior members of their full national squad as well as the reserve goalkeeper from the senior squad. I had made five changes to the side that thrashed them in the second game because it was very important to give all the boys a chance to show me what they could do. Had I started with my number one line-up, we would have given them a hell of a match. I'm sure of that."

"But in some ways, I didn't mind losing that match. The Czechs couldn't take their bad losses in the first two games and they're one of the best youth teams in Europe, so I knew they'd be all-out to win the last game."

"But we proved a point. The senior coach, Josef Masek, and the secretary of the Czech FA were absolutely flabbergasted at the quality of our boys."

"I'm still looking at other youth players. I'm impressed with Sydney Hakeah's youngsters Brett Hughes and Abbas Saad and there are other lads under consideration."

But let's get back to Marconi.

"The biggest problem I had this year was getting my squad settled. Unfortunately, the annual club elections, usually held in October, never took place, so I had to wait until February until the new committee was elected before getting down to business."

"Four weeks after the elections I went to Argentina and believe me you can get some dynamic players from there for virtually nothing."

Scheinflug wanted to inject flair and skill into the Marconi side. The men he chose were Osvaldo El'All and Adrian Janin.

"Janin needs time to settle down but he may not give himself that time. He wants to go back to Argentina at



• Marconi and Australian youth team coach Les Scheinflug

'I'm super keen to work with kids and I like to think that I have a knack for spotting good young players'

senior soccer and the next 12 months will decide whether or not he can take over the number one spot at Marconi. He's a good talker. I like that. He comes off his line well but I'd like him to improve his handling."

PAUL CARTER (defender): "A very exciting player. A good defender and great going forward. He's still learning but I feel he could work his way into the Soccerteam squad within a couple of seasons."

LEE STERREY (defender): "A very underrated player. He's one of the most consistent performers at Marconi. He reads the game well and there's nothing flashy about him. He just puts in week-in, week-out with a minimum of fuss."

TONY HENDERSON (defender): "Bags of experience. He had to work hard this year and it took him quite some time to lose the five kilos he'd put on over the off-season. He uses the ball very, very well and he's strong in the air."

STEVE CALDERAN (defender): "He's out for the rest of the season, sad to say. He twice was injured early in the year and only has played three games. He's a simple, direct type of player, very similar to Col Bennett, which tells you how dependable he is."

ROBERT WHEATLEY (defender): "I paid \$25,000 for him and planned to use him as my sweeper. I still feel that he eventually will play there but because of a few problems I had in defence I switched him to fullback. He's the type of player who can give Marconi service for many more years."

JOE RIZZOTTO (defender): "One of the busiest players in the game. He's actually not as fast as he looks and that's probably why he looks a bit late with some tackles. He's got a problem with yellow cards and all the referees know him. If he could learn not to commit himself so often, he'd be far better off."

CRAIG MASON (midfielder): "On his day he's the best marker in the game. He's a really good leader. He's had troubles with injuries though and like Rizzotto he's become something of a target for the referees, but what a good player he is."

PETER TREDINICK (midfielder): "Very, very important to us. A real 100 percent player. He never stops running and he's quick."

IAN GRAY (midfielder): "He lacks a bit in self-confidence. That's the only thing that holds him back because he's got tons of ability. If he'd been luckier this season he could have been one of the leading scorers in the league but you know how these things can go. He's been hitting the posts with shots or striking the ball against the goalkeeper's arms or legs."



ADRIAN JANIN (midfielder): Ricardo Campana. It took Campana to adapt to Australian soccer but er! Janin is perhaps just a little what this country can offer. It's na at the end of the year I hope decision."

GEOFF GUNNING (midfielder): He still doesn't read the game the thing that stops him truly est National League. But he'll get him."

DAVID LOWE (forward): "If he'd be the player I'd like to take the best players in Australia and all in saying that. He's very, very minded general to support a year for sure. His attitude is sometimes four nights a week bad effort for a guy who lives overlooked for Socceroo select."

ROD BROWN (forward): "He's to learn to be more composed that will come."

MARK JANKOVICS (forward): couple of games this year and afraid to have a guy who scores a year on the sidelines."

OSVALDO EL'ALL (forward): You never know what he's going to do. What an exciting player I really taken to him. He's had no

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• Back row: Pedro La Maicon (massager), Adrian Janin, Ian Gray, Bruce James, Rod Brown, Craig Mason, Tony Henderson. Front row: Robert Wheatley, David Lowe, Joe Rizzotto, Paul Carter, Peter Tredinnick, Lee Sterrey, Osvaldo El Ali. Insets, left to right: Mark Janovics, Steve Calderan, Geoff Gunning, Paul Jones.

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"You keep asking me that, but I really don't know.

"Things change so quickly in soccer. What I can say is that I've got an excellent relationship with Marconi president Tony Labozetta. I've been working with Tony before, in fact I've won the NSL championship and the Cup with Tony as my president. He doesn't interfere in my work and that's very, very important. He employs

people to do a job for Marconi and if those people don't do it then he gets rid of them. It's pretty straightforward, and that's the way I like to operate."

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Come del resto in tutte le professioni, nel giornalismo a volte bisogna dover dire cose spiacevoli; perciò saremmo stati noi i primi a giurare alla Juventus che potrebbe far nascere la soluzione al problema in questione.

Per cominciare la Juve

ci sentiamo sinceramente sconsolati di dover prender atto di questa nostra vittoria priva di poesia e triste avvinzione e vedere la più bella Juventus da quindici anni a questa parte andare allo sfacelo.

Non abbiamo visto la partita, ma anche da lontano è possibile fare delle considerazioni.

Per cominciare la Juventus aveva problemi di organico con le squallide di Zendover e Durakovic. McKendry ha tamponeato la sfida spostando il terzino Peter Lewis a difensore centrale e l'ala Palatidis a terzino. Per cominciare, per coprire una fallimentare Zendover, perché Durakovic è stato sempre un tappabuca di riserva, ne ha aperto due un buon terzino è diventato un mediocre difensore centrale e

una buona ala (pardon, le ali non esistono più) è diventato un pessimo terzino.

La soluzione più semplice sarebbe stata invece ripetere la sfida di Zendover spostando nel suo ruolo Petersen che nel passato ha giocato da libero con ottimi risultati. Questo avrebbe anche evitato di avere al centro della difesa due giocatori pesanti e piuttosto lenti (Brown e Lewis).

La seconda considerazione da fare è comunque di perdere per -1 dopo aver chiuso il primo tempo 0-1. Con i problemi di organico, con il calo di forma e con la necessità di far punti per cogliere quel primato che la squadra e il comitato meriterebbero così largamente, quasi alienatore, di strapparlo sarebbe stato capace di difendere il risultato, o almeno di procurarsi magari finendo per subire la rete del pareggio allo scadere del tempo.

Ma beccare quattro reti nel secondo tempo è dabbagliante, inopportuno e perfidabile, e metteva di nuovo in gioco e di capaci di saper realizzare le proprie debolezze e i punti forti dell'avversario.

I punti non conquistati domenica ormai rendono problematico il recupero di due lunghezze dall'acapponiato del girone meridionale; ma il modo come la squadra stat giocando propone una situazione molto più preoccupante.

Con due punti di distacco dalla sesta classificata, per la prima volta in due anni di Lega Nazionale si profila la possibilità che la Juventus venga ad-

dirittura lasciata fuori dalle finali.

E la Juventus nelle prossime due, ed ultime, partite, dovrà vedersela proprio con due delle squadre che aspirano ad un posto nelle finali, la Juventus di Adelaide e il South Melbourne Hellas. Un altro passo falso, e addio campionato 1986.

Ed è proprio frangente che il capitano della Juve non deve vincere i suoi titoli, cominciando dai titoli e finiti all'allentatore. Domenica prossima all'Olympic Park nel derby delle Juventus, la squadra bianconera di Melbourne merita tutto l'incoraggiamento della tifoseria fedele e delle migliaia di sportivi italiani occasionali presenti allo stadio.

Considerando che la Juventus di Adelaide non potrà portare i suoi tifosi, l'aspetto di una tribuna semivuota sarebbe di cattivo auspicio ai ragazzi di Caruso che ovviamente vorrebbero battere per far scendere il miracolo. Però è necessario riconoscere che la pubblica doppia del normale per dare una vigore, spinta morale alla squadra, sia al fedelissimi trascinari indietro tutti gli amici che ci possono.

Comitate e gente vicina al club debbono cercare di scutere i giocatori dal loro torpore, far vedere che ancora credono in loro nella loro capacità di battere qualsiasi avversario.

I giocatori debbono ricordare che sono i campioni d'Australasia che hanno un giusto dovere verso i tanti e i pochi che li sostengono; una applicazione disperata per due

altre partite potrebbe ancora dar loro la più grande soddisfazione. Il JUST potrebbe ancora perdere due punti contro il Preston e il Brisbane Lions; quattro punti per la Juventus in altrettante partite potrebbero significare lo scudetto grazie ad un miglior quoziente reti.

È inutile allenare. McKendry dovrebbe solo avere la fermezza di ammettere che i suoi sistemi sono errati per la formazione ai suoi ordini e che i giocatori sono sacrificati nella impostazione tattica e nell'impiego individuale. La cosa è molto più semplice di quanto che potrebbe sembrare poiché non deve escogitare nuovi sistemi di punti in bianco, deve soltanto lasciare che la squadra torni a giocare nel modo come è abituata e rende meglio.

Questo modo è così semplice: il libero che rimane fedelmente al suo posto non può lasciare scorrere una difesa che non recupera facilmente; i due terzini alternativamente lasciarli liberi di avanzare lungo le fasce laterali per impedire agli avversari; Petersen lasciato a briglia sciolta per rallentare il gioco fino a che i suoi campagni sono in posizione prima di dover fare il passaggio o di inflinarsi fra la difesa avversaria per andare a rete; Sweeney al centro dell'attacco per tenere impegnata la difesa avversaria, con Zinni e Palatidis larghi sulle ali per allargare la difesa e crossare o convergere al centro.

Non ci vuole un'arca di scienza per rimettere in atto il sistema che ha funzionato così bene l'anno scorso.

Tommy Mitchell's men down Dinamo

Man of the match:
JIMMY ROSS
F'ston Pines

Frank Pines 3
St. Alb Dinamo 2

Scores: Armstrong 10th,
Cumming 15th & 45th,
McNamee 38th, Pines Ramjak
22nd, Lloyd 40th (St. A).
Venue: Monterey Reserve,
Saturday.

Considering the conditions under which it was played, this match was a rip-roaring affair that had us all on tenterhooks until the final whistle and was a credit to both sides.

That Pines even won the game was quite an achievement given that coach Danny McNamee was in Brisbane, assistant coach Ernie Merrick was on holiday in Noosa, and even masseur Ken Lyon was

abutted. I think the team was picked and organised by some sort of players' collective or of Tommy Mitchell. As usual, the irrepressible Mick Goran summed it all up "Just call us the Lonesome Pines in the paper," he said. Right on, Mick.

Anyway, coached or not, Pines took the lead in the 10th minute after a nice interpassing movement initiated by Jimmy Ross, then McGoran and Craig Miller was rounded off with a drive from Richie Armstrong. Pines were going like a house afire then, and threatening to overwhelm St. Albans Dinamo.

But there were ominous signs of misunderstanding at the back creeping in. Pines had elected to play five at the back — a la Arok — but there seemed to be some doubt as to who was playing where, and Dennis Boland was screaming: "Get them organised," at anyone and everyone in general.

That was five minutes before half-time, but just as the Pines' faithfulness were begin-

ning to get worried, referee Evan Venios came to the rescue with a penalty which Cumming gratefully tucked away.

The Pines dressing room was packed at half-time with players and coaches or more. Advisers sorted out the system, and order was restored three minutes into the second half when McGoran (who else?), produced a bit of magic to grab the winner.

After that it was just a case of home supporters biting their nails for 42 minutes. As McGoran said at the end: "Who needs coaches, anyway?"

certainly did.

During the first half most of the Thomastown players seemed content to watch proceedings rather than get involved and as a result they only created one scoring opportunity. That was in the 18th minute when striker Brian Flaherty gave a superb through pass for midfielder Kevin Carfora on the right side of the Wilhelmina defence. Carfora raced to the backline and his cross to the far post picked out striker Andy Higgins but his headed attempt from six metres just missed the target.

The second half became very competitive but the game was spoilt as a spectacle when several off-the-ball incidents went unpunished.

Both sides had chances to score by the highlight of the match was a stunning 25-metre dipping volley by Wilhelmina's Kees Storm that thumped against the Thomastown crossbar in the 71st minute.

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Tough task for McAleer's men, McGuinness to return

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Croydon can wrap up the State League championship by beating Fawkner tonight (Wednesday) and Polonia on Sunday. Both games are at Croydon Park.

Tonight's clash kicks off at 7.40pm. The reserves game starts at 6pm.

"How am I going to get my lads going after this? It'll be a hell of a job," said Fawkner coach Frank McAleer after his side was hammered 6-1 by Croydon, at Smith Reserve last weekend.

How right he is. Dave Nixon was carried off in that match with a nasty gash on a knee and probably won't play again this season while John Di Cecco was sent off in the second half.

"I'd rather lose 6-1 with a

team of youngsters than get beaten 6-1 with an experienced side," said McAleer, indicating that he might promote a couple of reserve team lads for tonight's clash. The Fawkner coach also was disappointed at "being let down" by some experienced players last Sunday.

I've got no doubts about Croydon's ability to win tonight's game and go on to record its second successive championship success. And while I at it, I'd like to publicly remind wee Hammy McMeekan about a certain wager we had at the start of the year.

Sunday's clash with Polonia will be a lot tougher than tonight's game though. Polonia scored two goals in the first 15 minutes then went on to record a 2-0 win over Western Suburbs.

Had Polonia lost, it would have been starting down the barrel again in its fight to avoid relegation. That battle isn't over yet and no doubt a few members of the Polonia camp will be more than just interested observers at John Cain Reserve on Saturday. When Northcote needed a draw, I'm tipping a draw in that match. George Bozikis, Peter Constantinou and Chris Bekiaris missed Northcote's 3-1 loss to Morwell Falcons last Saturday. Constantinou and Bekiaris have ankle injuries while Bozikis has a bad hamstring and all three are struggling to be fit to face Wilhelmina.

Albans Dinamo and Box Hill are fighting for a top four spot when they clash at Churchill Reserve on Saturday. I was starting to lose faith in the Hillmen until their 3-0 win over Springvale City last weekend so I'll jump back on their band-

wagon and tip them to down Dinamo in what should be a cracking contest.

Dinamo has plenty of flair and a hell of a lot more bite than it had last season. In fact, it's the improvement in the physical side of its game which has impressed me most this season. Midfielder Mark Wilson has played his part in that department as have Kevin Lloyd and Robert Krajacic.

But Dinamo is as old and hard as it can play too.

Caulfield could surprise Fawkner at Princes Park on Saturday. Until Dave Brooks arrived, Caulfield wasn't well organised at the back. That's changed since his switch from Box Hill and with Danny Zemunski buzzing about as usual up front, the home side can worry the Fawkner back four.

Caulfield has started a lot of its home games this season with a flourish and Fawkner won't want to be caught on guard early.

I know that I was made to look silly by Ian Stirlton's two goals against Northcote last weekend after writing in last week's "Soccer Action" that the Morwell camp held fears for Stirlton's availability for the rest of the season due to a nagging knee injury. My information came from Morwell coach Jim O'Connor and, at the time, it was accurate. It seems that Stirlton still is troubled by the complaint but that he'll see out the season before sorting it out.

That's bad news for Western Suburbs. But now for the good news.

George Beattie should be back to face Morwell at Ralph Reserve on Sunday and striker Bobby McGuinness is expected to be in the starting line-up. McGuinness has had trouble shrugging off a groin injury and only came on at half-time of the 25-metre free kick.

In the 52nd minute, Middle-

most played a glorious through ball to Elliott but the latter tried to kick the ball into the net and Long was able to save.

Long also chance his luck on a couple of occasions coming out of the area and dribbling the ball clear.

Suburbs coach Jimmy Konidis is toying with the idea of using Beattie in midfield, an area in which Suburbs have had a few problems this season.

Even with Beattie and McGuinness in the starting line-up, my money's on Falcons to maintain their late bid for the top four.

Thomastown coach Mike Lynn is waiting with his fingers crossed for the result of tonight's (Wednesday's) tribunal hearing involving striker George McMillan. Lynn hopes to have McMillan available for Sunday's Partridge Reserve clash with Franklin Pines, a match that looms as the draw bet of the round.

Springvale clashes with Melbourne Hungaria at Ross Reserve on Sunday ... well, maybe. If Melbourne turns up at Soccer House this week and if Melbourne turns up with its players passports at Ross Reserve on Sunday the match may go ahead. Don't hold your breath.

Northcote v Ringwood Wilhelmina (draw) at John Cain Reserve, 3pm.

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Thomastown v Frankston Pines (draw) at Partridge Reserve, 3pm.

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Western Suburbs v MORWELL FALCONS at Ralph Reserve, 3pm.

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KNOX CITY 0 NUNAWADING 0
NUNAWADING CITY, Victorian Division One match at Egan Lee Reserve, Sunday.

Rau, Turner, Bryden, Murray, Barker, Dixey, Reid, McCloy, Holmes 65th.

SUNDAY

NUNAWADING CITY, Madar, Hurleston, Chiavarella, McCormick, Remmers, Lawler, Elliott, Middlemass, Mayle, Nellies (Bastian 85th).

SUNDAY

ELTHAM 1 (Velos 8th) WAVERLEY CITY 1 (Gamers 20th), Victorian Second Division match at Eltham North Reserve, Sunday.

ELTHAM: Panas 6 — Sabahudin 6, Velos 7, Cochran 7, Anagnosot 6 — Woodward 6, Sabidussi 7, Pavlids 6, Moulas 6 (8th), (penalty 8th) 6, (ovens 85th) Morton 5.

WAVERLEY CITY: M. Perre 6 — Drouge 7, Coulter 7, A. Perre 6, Wilson 7 — Wells 6, Grimaude 7, Gabriel 6, Booth 8 — Greener 6, T. Gamers 6.

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Action from Monterey Reserve last weekend. Dinamo's Branko Culina (right) is hot on the trail of Pines' mid-fielder Jimmy Ross. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

Long stands firm, Drouge blows it

the interval because they certainly demonstrated far more purposes in the second half.

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alty area. Moulias got to the ball just ahead of goalkeeper Mark Perrie but his successful lob was cleared off the line by full back George Drouge.

Drouge had the opportunity to win the match for Waverley with the last piece of play for the whole game in the 85th minute. The full back won possession of the ball on the half-way line and surged forward then played a superb one-two with Booth and charged past Eltham sweeper Johnny Cochran on the edge of the penalty area. With only Eltham goalkeeper Billy Panas to beat, Drouge wasted his great individual effort by blasting the ball over the bar.

Selections

VICTORIAN LEAGUE

DIVISION TWO

Saturday: Monbulk v BRUNSWICK CITY, South Dandenong v CHELSEA.

REGENT v Cranbourne, FOREST HILL v Dingley United, Uni of Melb v MOSSFIEL, NORTH SUNSHINE v Mellie.

DIVISION THREE

Saturday: S.M. MORDHALLOC v ALBION Rovers, Richmond v DONCASTER ROVERS, Maribyrnong v KNOX CITY.

DIVISION TWO

Saturday: BULLEN v Sandringham, Ringwood United v Prahran City (draw), Altona City, Mordialloc Park Rangers v DANEDONGEN CITY, KEILOR v Eltham, Waverley City v ESSENDON CITY, ROYAL RICHMOND and Hamlyn Rangers.

DIVISION THREE

Saturday: Port Melbourne v YALLOM, YARRA v Noble Park, Altona Springvale United v MOOROOLBARK, ROSANNA v Clifton Hill, Prahran v Coburg (draw), Corio v FERNREE GULLY, Geelong v Moorabbin City (draw).

DIVISION FOUR

Saturday: Hawthorn v WEST BRUNSWICK, Boronia v Langwarrin (draw), LaTrobe United v HOLLAND PARK, KEYNETON v Werribee, Heide United, Werribee Benders v CLARINDA, KARINGAL UNITED v Brighton.

DIVISION ONE

Saturday: Ivanhoe v Endeavour Hills, Epping Thistle v Phillip Institute (draw), BALWYN CITY v Northern Suburbs, Eagles United v Melbourne University (draw), Diamond Valley v BRINTON, City of St Kilda v COLLINGWOOD CITY.

DIVISION TWO

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Brilliant Barbers	6	0	47	14	18	
Furious Five	5	0	1	40	12	16
Celtics	4	0	1	55	11	12
Shamrocks	3	0	3	26	19	12
Internazionale	2	0	3	24	19	9
Vasco de Gama	2	0	2	16	14	8
Gladiators	1	0	5	12	43	8
Marazico	1	0	4	12	43	7
Wanderers	0	0	6	15	71	6
Gippstars	0	0	5	14	57	5

Top scorers: 28 - J. Metaxas (C); 23 - G. Thalassinos (ME); 19 - P. Belegirinos (BB); 18 - P. Markakos (ME).

Donvale League Standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Cacciotti Rangers	8	1	0	69	18	26
Zlatna Luka	8	0	1	89	21	26
White Peles	7	1	1	60	19	24
Gippstars Ghosts	6	0	3	75	41	21
Ethnic United	4	0	5	32	39	16
Sweatshogs	4	0	4	26	31	15
Raiders	3	0	6	44	53	15
Master Blaster	1	0	7	22	84	8
Azzurri	0	1	8	22	51	9
Peropronci	0	1	6	13	85	8

Top scorers: 49 - A. Pericic (ZL); 36 - S. Sella (CR); 24 - A. Carafa (GG).

Olympic hits back, Pythons too good

Olympic 4

Mak. Raiders 2

Olympic showed tremendous fight and determination to come from a 2-1 deficit in this Preston Youth League game to beat the strong Macedonian Raiders team.

The scores were deadlocked at half time at 1-1 with both teams showing great skill.

A goal early in the second half by Attila Salatioglu put Macedonian Raiders in the lead.

Olympic continued to pile on the pressure without much success until late in the second half when it hit a purple patch and scored three goals in the space of a few minutes.

Chris Archimandritis and John Panagopoulos both notched two for Olympic.

Macedonian Raiders' keeper Nelson Ribeiro was his team's hero after putting off some fantastic saves throughout the match to thwart Olympic's efforts.

Zaggers 6

Mak. Eliminators 1

The Macedonian Eliminators were still in the match at half time after going into the break at 1-1 but the strong combination of the Zaggers finally broke away to record another in.

Ivan Murador and John Insana did most of the damage for the Zaggers while George Cavallo and Bill Kousidis fought hard for the Eliminators.

Preston Pythons 6

Nacionals

The entertaining skills of the Preston Pythons proved to be the best for the Nacionals.

Virgilio Caruvallo was in fine form again and scored two goals while showing the crowd some of his delightful skills. Fortunato Caruvallo also scored two goals while Chico Tlima played well.

Lou Tisgaras and Alex Sismanis were Nacionals' better players with Tisgaras scoring their only goal.

The Preston Pythons have also been entered into the National League under the name Buffalo Mets and they will surely be one of the crowd favourites with their entertaining brand of soccer.

Grasshoppers 8

Goodonya 6

This would surely be the most exciting game of the competition by far.

Both are excellent teams who kept the crowd on the edge of their seats for almost the entire match. The two teams could not be separated at the break with the score at two all.

After the break they were still neck and neck until the Grasshoppers raced away to a 7-4 lead with only minutes to go.

You have to say Goodonya to Goodonya because they immediately fought back with two excellent conversions whereas

the Grasshoppers failed to capitalise on a lot of their chances.

There was an exciting finish. With the score at 706, Grasshoppers began to play possession football while valuable seconds ticked away. An opening was created through this possession play and converted by Grasshoppers which put the game beyond Goodonya's reach.

Peter Markakos scored a hat trick for Goodonya and George Thalassinos notched two.

Vince Konidinakis hit three horns for the Grasshoppers while two were scored by Aki Kotzamichalas and Silvio Sella. Congratulations to both teams on a fine match.

Euronations 11

Ugly Juventus 3

Euronations set up their win in the second half, racing away to an 8-1 lead.

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Euronations come up against Grasshoppers next week which should also be a tremendous match.

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TERRY LEES MENSWEAR

Vince Fasanella

Con Opasinis

Cacciotti 7

Raiders 5

Cacciotti Rangers had a bad start in this Donvale League match because three players were late so Rangers started with a 3-0 deficit.

But within a matter of minutes, goals flew in from Tochette and Dal Costello who both played magnificently.

Then the amazing Sella got into the game with a hat-trick before half time. Tochette played well and his excellent passing set up Dal Costello's hat-trick.

Cesarini pulled off some amazing saves to keep the Rangers up front. Despite a

few cards being shown it was a clean game.

The Rangers are hoping they can maintain their good form to win the premiership. Congratulations to Silvio Sella, who is second top goal scorer.

Zlatna Luka 18
Master Blaster 1

There isn't very much one can say when scores occur like these.

Obviously Zlatna Luka is not going to give any goals away and will try to score as many as possible to give it a good goal average.

Zlatna dominated with players like Ante Pericic who himself scored eleven goals,

Darren Keran who scored four and Nino Ragusa who got three.

Master Blasters did manage one goal in the second half from Kadar but the game was a non event for them.

White Peles 12
Azzurri 3

Again White Peles showed their strength with constant barrage of goals.

At half time the score was 6-2 in favour of Peles.

Stilo and Arbrean had scored for Azzurri but this was not enough for in the second half we saw another six piled on by Peles to Azzurri's one. Peles' style allowed them to dominate with ease.

They have an abundance of prolific goal scorers who give them the advantage over many teams. Man of the Match went to Carlo Baravelli of White Peles.

Gipps Ghosts 10
Ethnic United 6

Ghosts had an easy victory over a much depleted Ethnic side.

Weakened Ethnic's were kept on the run whilst Ghosts had a number of substitutes to fall back on and they used them carefully giving their team a fresh boost throughout the game.

Major scorers were Stilo with five goals and Jim Tanayski with two. The Gladiators lacked striking power and only had Steve Lazekas with his shooting boots on. He scored with ease.

White Peles 9
Gladiators 2

Vasco de Gama, with Bill Grbacs in excellent form and Albert Stasi hungry for goals, showed signs of last season's form which took it into the final.

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B. Barbas 3
Celtics 1

This match between these undefeated teams and two of the favourites for the title should have been the best match of the competition but sadly, it only lasted 10 minutes.

Celtics had Kon Tsobanopoulos and Con Grbevski sent off, leaving them with three men and trailing 3-1.

Man. Excited 11
Gippstars 4

Manchester Excited remained at the top of the ladder after a solid performance against the Gippstars.

Peter Markakos was in devastating form scoring five goals as did Peter-Michael George Thalassinos.

Peter Markakos also had a fine game and contributed the other goal. The Gippstars captain Michael Kyriakopoulos was their best player and scored a hat-trick.

Furious Five 2
Marazico 0

This was an extremely close match.

A goal in each half was enough to separate the sides. Les Siliatis worried the Marazico backbone but his finishing let him down.

Marazico put in another good performance.

Marazico's Dom Di Sera and Oscar Rosa both accumulated the maximum five fouls which didn't help their team because Marazico didn't have enough substitutes.

The game started at a slow pace with both sides playing defensively. It wasn't until the 4th minute that the opening goal was scored and that came from the boot of defender Robbie Noggler who surged down the left touchline and cracked an unstoppable left foot shot just out of the reach of Ribeiro.

Then the Mets got their game together and showed everyone in the stadium their magical skills and shooting power.

Bon was then replaced by big Aki Kotzamichalas in the 14th minute.

In the 17th minute Ferreira, cool under pressure found Caruazao who weaved past

to Frank Marchesani who is constantly putting very good performances.

Ian Heeps for the United team was their best player and considering the number of goals scored the losing team did very well.

Buffalo Mets 3
S. Operators 0

The first of the practice games at the Donvale Centre last week was a warm-up for the Buffalo Mets who met Melbourne Eliminators on Sunday in the first National League game of the season.

Buffalo Mets are a very strong team whose talents captivate their audiences. A goal for Metz was Luka Ivanovic from Gelingel who has had an outstanding season and his talent on the night stopped a number of attempts by Operators.

Buffalo Mets scored two goals to none in the first half giving them a handy lead and Operators were a little shocked to be facing defeat for the first time. Operators couldn't make any impression in the second half but Mets added one more which gave them a victory of 3-0.

Canons 8
Adriatic Eagles 1

This was another one man show by Spiro Alatas.

Goals came from almost every team member on both sides showing the intensity of the game.

Man of the Match again went to Spiro Alatas.

He scored all of the eight goals with plenty of bucking from his team mates. No matter what combination it used, Adriatic was unable to stop

Buffalo Mets then decided it was time to apply the pressure and quickly were rewarded by a great goal from A de Melo in the 7th minute.

Then John Metaxas intercepted a defender's bad pass. Metaxas stormed towards goal and sild the ball past Ribeiro, making it 3-3.

A minute later Metaxas had an excellent chance from close range but shot high and wide.

Three minutes later, A de Melo found Ferreira storming down field. He passed to Bon who sild past Terzini and the Buffalo Mets led 4-3.

Ferreira's goal was quickly answered by Metaxas who

weaved his way down the right touchline and from a near impossible angle shot at Ribeiro who fumbled the ball and it rolled in. It was 4-4 with five minutes remaining.

Ferreira managed to score his hat-trick when he passed Terzini and cool as you like slid the ball into the empty net.

Metaxas struck again to make it 6-5 to the Eliminators and caught out the Mets on the break in the final seconds when he ran onto Bon's pass to complete the scoreline.

All the NISL results:

Mackay Monarchs 6, Notts Bombers 7, Enduro Spartans 3, Canberra Strikers 4, Sydney Tornados 3, Canberra Rockets 3, Lotte All Stars 7, Canberra Strikers 5, Enduro Spartans 7, Tornados 10, Canberra Strikers 2, Lotte All Stars 10, Canberra Rockets 3, Melbourne Eliminators 7, Buffalo Mets 5.

Melita Eagles set for title

With one round of the competition remaining, the League's front runners — Melita Eagles — look set to take out the Premiership in style.

With only Freshwater Warringah in its way, few could doubt that Melita will do it comfortably. In fact, Melita needs only a point to make sure of its place at the top of the table.

The only other side in the chase is Manly Warringah. However, Manly's inferior goal difference gives Melita the comfort of being satisfied with second place.

Freshwater Warringah is desperate for a point to stay in the League and is unlikely to lay down and accept defeat. It will be a hard road but I see very little else but a comfortable victory and the title to Melita Eagles.

The side already has taken out the Club Premiership with its First and Second Grade

sides on top and its Third Grade in second position. It is anticipated that Melita will have the best crowd of the season on Sunday to celebrate its State League title victory.

At Mona Park, Uruguay's coach Terry Bertram has retired following Kuringai's loss to Rockdale Ilinden last Sunday and that will leave a huge gap in Kuringai's defence. Jurek Drys and Henjak Sobczyk will have to account for the favouritism of Uruguay, plus the fact that Kuringai has lost three in a row, while Uruguay is fresh from a victory at Avala.

Manly Warringah needs to win against Avala to stand any chance of winning the Premiership. With John Dick and Don Alford returning, it is anticipated that Avala will be in for a hard time at Cromer Park.

It is difficult to see either side scoring many goals despite the position. Avala finds itself in a bind. As their star striker Filipovic form a hurdle. Manly would rather not face.

I fancy Avala to get at least a point.

Sutherland is out of the race for the title but is almost assured of a top-four placing.

For Polonia, that is do or die.

Polonia has the talent to give Sutherland more than the Sharks will bargain for with Stefan Janic and Andraz Pop back in form. Jurek Drys and Henjak Sobczyk will have to

overcome the hard working Sutherland midfield if Polonia is to have any chance of snatching both points.

Rockdale Ilinden has an outstanding record to improve its goalscoring record.

Against Penrith at Cook Park, Zlatko Nastevski, with his 15-goal tally so far, will be looking forward to a few more in the last round of the Premiership.

Only Don Campbell and Ian Hunter look capable of causing an upset while Edwards, Penrith's custodian, looks likely to be overworked on Saturday afternoon.

"This is war," said Walter Chichkin last Sunday in reference to Fairy Meadow's last league encounter against Wollongong Macdonald.

The season is over now as far as the State League is concerned but this time we are playing our own version of the Grand Final to decide the best club in Wollongong," he added.

"Idle threats," replied Bob Kozovski, Macedonia's secretary.

"Meadow threatened us last time but we beat them at Corrimond. I see no reason not to repeat the dose at Berkely-lea."

Anthony Wellburne will certainly be looking to play for as many years up for the last league game of the year. He is in line for our Under-21 Player of the Year award.

I fancy a draw but Fairy Meadow does look to have an edge in attack.

VIAL SLAMS THREE, BERTRAM RETIRES

Lenny Vial bagged three goals against Penrith City to spearhead his side to an important victory at Melita Stadium.

Paul McFadden started the rot with two early goals and Vial polished it off with his first goals of the season.

Vial provided the spadework for McFadden to net after 11 minutes, but Penrith came back after Don Campbell nodded in for Ian Hunter to score in the 17th.

A Ray Farrugia corner kick in the 28th found Kenny Wilson who headed to McFadden who headed past Edwards and gave Melita a 2-1 lead.

Vial scored his first goal after 35 minutes when he chested down a very strong cross by Wayne Farnsworth. The ball came off Vial's chest, off the post and into the net.

Hunter came close to scoring in the 42nd, 55th and 62nd minutes before McFadden increased his lead.

McFadden played a through ball to Vial who scored in the 63rd minute, then four players were involved in a complicated move which led to Birilo Seritas putting Vial through to face Edwards and score again.

Tired-looking Penrith could offer little resistance in the closing stages with Melita content to push the ball about in entertaining fashion.

Unlucky Meadow

Manly Warringah won the match but Fairy Meadow won the hearts of the fans at Corrimond following Manly's 2-1 victory last Sunday.

Manly raced into a 2-0 lead through Paul Marshall and Doug McIntosh and looked set to run away with this game when in came Paul Kirwan with an opportunity goal in the dying seconds of the first half and from then on the picture looked different.

It was now Fairy Meadow

which pulled strings with its players finding huge gaps in Manly's defence. Kirwan, Kerr, Cario and Marjanovic came close to scoring during the second period while Manly struggled to find its feet.

But the visitors lived to fight another day. Manly is only the second State League side to have won both its matches on the South Coast, beating Wollongong Macedonia earlier in the year.

Marshall, Allan Dean and Robbie Stuart worked tirelessly for the visitors while Berger and Marjanovic shone for the locals.

Alvaro Perdomo

Uruguay came on keeping the ball on the floor and with its short passing game hoping to subdue the locals.

And it worked.

Led by Carlos Rosano at the back, Uruguay never made a mistake while Genc, Cuba, Perdomo and Carrizo tore holes in Macedonia's defence. For much of the game, Macedonia struggled to keep possession and the strong wind failed to assist its game plan of high balls.

FRESHWATER 0 SUTHERLAND 0 at Cromer Park.

FRESHWATER: Amith 8, Cascadia 6, Sterrey 6, J. Battalico 6,

Berry 7, — Tkachuk 7, A. Battalico 8, Burke 6, Driene 8, — Corrigan 5,

SUTHERLAND: Burchmore 8, — Sellers 8, Terry 8, Parsons 7, Nelson 7, — Hutton 6, Johnstone 7, Lerond 6, Meades 7 (65th Cashman), Hilt 5 (Sharp 55th), Hughes 7.

WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA 0 URUGUAYAN AU-BURN 1 (Perdovski 55th) at Berkeley Sports Ground.

Macedonia: G. Robinson 7, Muzik 6, Tavelski 6, Sweeney 6, Tuskin 7, — Wellburne 6, Satin 6, Brigham 6, Giraldi 5, — B. Robinson 5, King 5.

URUGUAY: Rosano 7, Woods 7, hastie 7, O'Donnell 7, Tomasich 8, — Mosquero 6, Genc 8, Cuba 7, — Van Helden 7, Perdomo 8, Carrizo 7 (Pirro 80th).

Second Grade results: Melita Eagles — Penrith 4-2, Macedonia — Uruguay 3-2, Fairy Meadow — Manly 1-9, Freshwater — Sutherland 0-0, Ilinden — Kuringai 1-2, Avala — Polonia 3-0.

Third Grade results: Melita Eagles — Penrith 4-2, Macedonia — Uruguay 3-2, Fairy Meadow — Manly 1-9, Freshwater — Sutherland 1-8, Ilinden — Kuringai 9-0, Avala — Polonia 8-1.

3rd Grade standings:

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KΑΒΑΡΙΤΙΣ ΤΟ ΗΕΡΑΝ ΜΕ 6 - 1

Με ένα Γκέλαλον που έβλεπε μόνο δέκτη το Κλεψτον ΧΑ πέρασε και το επόδιο τον Περάν και τώρα το Σάββατο παίζει την άνδρα του μέσα στη Ροδόνα με την ποικιλή ομάδα.

Με μιά νίκη τους οι κυανόλευκοι εξαφαλίζουν κατά 99 τοις εκατό του προβιβασμού τους στην Β' κατηγορία των Βικτώρων από Δημήτρη.

Το Κλίφον προηγήθηκε στο 7' με τον μαθητικό Γκέλαλον που ήταν στα κέφια του πάντες 4 τέρματα.

Στο 40' πάλι ο Γκέλαλον έκανε το 2-0 και στο 49' ο πράγματος του Μέγα ανέβασε το σκορ σε 3-0.

Το Περάν στο 53' κέιλεσε με φάουλ και ο Πατούδης στο 55' με μονοκόμματο σύρτισε την Ελλάδα στην Ελλάδα με πολλά δυνατά.

Συγχαρητήρια του προπονητή της Ελλάδας που έδωσε την ευκαρπία στον Κρήστο Ανδριώτη να δεξερεί πάνω έχει προσόντα και ελπίζει δια την επιμελεύση στον νεαρό αυτό που θα δικαιωθεί.

Επινόησε ένα νέο πατέλι χρειάζεται πολλά να μάθει και περισσότερο χρειάζεται το φέρεται στούς αγάνες που πρέπει να του δοθούν.

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Στη συνέχεια ο Σπαρτάκης με αποτική

προσποθετικό ανέβασε σε 5-1 και ο Γκέλαλον στο 84' αφού απέφυγε δύο αντιπάλους κάρι πάσσων την μπάλα για δέκτη πορφ στα δέκτη της περάν, γράφοντας το τελικό 6-1.

Άριστος ήταν ο ρεφέρος κ.κ. ΚΟΝΤΟΓΙΑΝΗΣ ΝΙΣ και βρέθηκε κοντά σε δέλες της φάσης χωρίς να αδικηθεί κανένα από τους αντιπάλους (ΙΟ).

Τούρ Βαθμός μπράβο: Παπαγεωργίου 3, Γκέλαλον 2, Καστόρης 1.

Έπαιξαν οι Εβρυτος, Θεοχαρόπες, Καστροπού, Φυριόπου, Λορεπός (54' Σπαρτάκης) Πατούδης, Γκέλαλον, Παπαγεωργίου, Διαυσύνουπολης (76' Κούτσιέρας) Γκέλαλον, Γουδάνιου.

Η Ε' ομάδα νίκησε 6-3.

ΒΑΛΙΣΙΣ ΤΙΡΑΝ Η ΚΑΡΠΙΝΤΑ

Μετά την ισοπαλία που έφερε το πωτόπορο Γουέντ Μπράνσογκον, η Καρπίντα βρέθηκε πολλά κοντά στον τίτλο.

Η ελληνική ομάδα νίκησε εικόνα το Ήστ Μπράνσογκον 3-0.

Και τα τρία τέρματα τη Καρπίντα τα πέτυχε στο Α' μέρος (15' Τζ. Μήτσου, Ουγγρίνη 27'-44' από πέναλτι) ενώ στο Β' τη μεγάλη αναγκαστική η πατέτη με 10 παίκτες γιατί ο Κοζέρης (61') είδε εκδίκηση μέσα στα πέναλτι.

Έπαιξαν οι: Ιωαννιτιδης, Αδεμουν, Αποστολόπουλος, Δ. Μήτσου (86' Ηλιόδοτος) Δασιώπης, Κοντέας, Δ. Χαρολάδης πους, Θ. Μήτσου (Α. Αποστολόπουλος) Ουγγρίνη, Κοζέρης.

Η Ε' ομάδα νίκησε 6-0.

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

ers will maintain Victoria's good results.

The squad members

have been playing soccer for Victoria for at least nine years.

Shona Bass has played for Victoria since the national championships began in 1974, except for a one-year break overseas. She has been selected in the Australian squad in 1977-80 and 85-86, and played for Australia in international competitions in 1979, 80 and 86.

A similarly experienced

player is Andrea Martin.

This Victoria squad is:

Shona Bass, Tracey Hodge,

Amanda Norton,

Caroline Monk,

Janine McPhee (all Greensborough), Leanne Hamilton, Andrea Martin (Nunawading), Teresa Jones, Kim Bussell, Jane Oakley (North Dandenong), Kathy Rogan, Nicholas Blanche, Matthew Cooper, Rodney Naismith, Luke Parrott, Phillip Hughes, Ben Werner, Daniel Darmakis, Glen Palmer, (Stake Rovers); Stephen James, (Springvale Utd); Con Boutsianis (Caulfield City); George Stanistis (Springvale Utd); and Donatas Rukšys (Altona City). The Victorian coach is Janice Martin. Last year she took the team to an impressive third placing in Melbourne, and in 1984 the team came fourth.

Melvin has been playing the coaching soccer for many years and has a level three coaching badge. She hopes that a core of 10 experienced play-

ers will be her 11th year representing Victoria.

This strong

team has represented Australia in 1983 and 1986.

Teresa Jones, 23, will be Victorian goalkeeper for the ninth year. She is a brilliant keeper and has been chosen in the Australian squad on five occasions.

Jane Oakley, 20, the fast and

elusive forward from North Dandenong, will be representing Victoria for the fourth time. She was chosen in the Australian squad in 1984.

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v SUN. GEO. CROSS**

Spencer Park

SUNDAY 3pm

YOUTH GAME:Frankston Pines v Sunshine
GEO. CROSS 12.45 pm

MARK LENNON

**BRUNSWICK
JUVENTUS
v ADELAIDE JUVENTUS**

Olympic Park No. 1

SUNDAY 3pm

YOUTH GAME:Juventus v Nunawading City
12.45pm

ROBBIE CULLEN

**ADELAIDE HELLAS
v MELBOURNE
CROATIA**

Hindmarsh Stadium

SUNDAY 2.30pm

YOUTH GAME:Brighton v Melbourne Croatia
12.45pm

GEORGE KONSTANDOPoulos

**HEIDELBERG
ALEXANDER
v BRISBANE LIONS**

Olympic Village

SUNDAY 3pm

YOUTH GAME:Heidelberg v Fawkner at
12.45pm

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**GREEN GULLY
v STH. MELB. HELLAS**

Green Gully Reserve

SUNDAY 3pm

YOUTH GAME:

Green Gully v Hellas 12.45pm



STEVE BLAIR

**FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.
v PRESTON
MAKEDONIA**

Schintler Reserve

SUNDAY 3pm

YOUTH GAME:

J.U.S.T. v Makedonia 12.45pm



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NORTHERN DIVISION**Wollongong City v Canberra City**
Wollongong Showgrounds, SUNDAY 3pm**Canterbury v Sydney Croatia**
Arlington Oval, SUNDAY 3pm**Marconi v Sydney Olympic**
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Seiffert Oval, SUNDAY 3pm**Blacktown v A.P.I.A.**
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